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Dear Mr Gries:

The Office of Technology Assessment has been asked to undertake a study comparing Soviet and U.S. military technologies. This request was made by Congressman Les Aspin, Chairman, and Congressman William L. Dickinson, Ranking Minority Member, of the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives. As an initial response to this request OTA is planning a workshop comparing Soviet and U.S. capabilities in a particular area of military technology. The area under consideration is tactical avionics. In connection with this plan, we need information concerning Soviet capabilities in tactical fighter avionics, both in current production aircraft and in future aircraft now in development.

This letter is to request a Sensitive Compartmented Information level briefing on this subject. We would appreciate being informed of assessments of Soviet capabilities in tactical avionics, and of the areas of uncertainties in these assessments. Current aircraft of interest are the MiG-29, MiG-31 and Su-27; future capabilities to be available by about 2000 are also of interest.

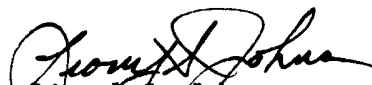
The OTA personnel to be briefed include:

- [redacted], Manager, International Security and Commerce Program. STAT
- [redacted] Senior Analyst. STAT
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We would appreciate your expediting this request so that the briefing can be as soon as possible, since we are expecting to schedule the workshop in October. The staff contact for further information is Dr. Lert, at 226-2026.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,


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Assistant Director